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IN RE APPLICATION Michael MENDEZ, et al.      ART UNIT: 1636  
SERIAL NO.:      09/762,476      EXAMINER: Ramin AKHAVAN  
FILING DATE:      September 27, 2001  
FOR:      HYBRID YEAST-BACTERIA CLONING SYSTEM AND  
              USES THEREOF

**AMENDMENT**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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SIR:

Responsive to the outstanding Final Office Action dated September 8, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated December 30, 2005, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested. A Request for Extension of Time for two additional months is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference thereby extending the date for filing a response to February 8, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Request for Continuing Examination is also submitted herewith.